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A. The petition filed _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted.
The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

B. The amendment filed 06/05/98 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

1. entered
2. entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention (0.3311).
3. disapproved. A report appears below.
4. entered in part. A report appears below.

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The decision on the petition filed in the above entitled application is as follows:

Delay in Prosecution Held Unavoidable (35 U.S.C. 133),

Petition Granted _____

Delayed Payment of Issue Fee Accepted (35 U.S.C. 151),

Petition Granted _____

Petition Granted filed 6/5/96 under 37 CFR 1.84(b) for acceptance of black and white photographs

Petition Denied _____

Petition Dismissed _____

By direction of the Deputy
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